

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
DISTRICT OF MASSACHUSETTS

INA STEINER, DAVID STEINER,)	
and STEINER ASSOCIATES, LLC,)	
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Plaintiffs,)	
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v.)	CIVIL ACTION
)	NO.21-11181-PBS
EBAY, INC., PROGRESSIVE F.O.R.C.E)	
CONCEPTS, LLC, DEVIN WENIG, STEVE)	
WYMER, WENDY JONES, STEVE KRYSTEK,)	
JIM BAUGH, DAVID HARVILLE, BRIAN)	
GILBERT, STEPHANIE POPP, STEPHANIE)	
STOCKWELL, VERONICA ZEA, PHILIP)	
COOKE, JOHN AND JANE DOE,)	
)	
Defendants.)	
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NOTICE

March 20, 2023

Saris, D.J.

Andrew O'Connor and Brian T. O'Connor of Ropes & Gray filed a notice of appearance as local counsel for Wendy Jones on Friday, March 17. Pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 455(a), I inform the parties that Ropes & Gray provides my husband and me with personal accounting, trust/estate, tax, charitable and financial disclosure services.

It is not representing me in any litigation, and I have been assured that there is an internal policy that no lawyer working on my personal matters will ever be involved in a case

pending before me. The firm has also erected a wall barring access to my personal data.

I am not required to disqualify myself from litigation in which Ropes & Gray appears pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 455(b), but my impartiality might reasonably be questioned pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 455(a). I am bringing this information to the attention of counsel so that they may inquire and, after consultation with the client, determine whether to waive any objections pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 455(e). See Canon 3D of the Code of Conduct for United States Judges (remittal of disqualification); II Administrative Office of the U.S. Courts, *Guide to Judicial Policies and Procedures*, Ch. V, § 3.6-2 (June 15, 1999, revised through November 7, 2001) (compendium); *In re Cargill*, 66 F.3d 1256 (1st Cir. 1995). Because of my familiarity with this litigation, and the age of the case, I reserve the right to sever Ms. Jones if necessary. Any objections should be filed by Friday, March 24th.



PATTI B. SARIS

United States District Judge